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In re Application of

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Title: MELODIC ALERTS FOR COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4, 6 and 10 as follows:

1 4. (Amended). A communications device as claimed in claim 1,  
2 characterised in that the control means divides the received message  
3 into a plurality of predesignated fields, one of which fields is  
4 used by the control means to determine tempo and other of said  
5 fields are used by the control means to determine notes.

1 6. (Amended) A communications device as claimed in claim 4,  
2 characterised in that each note is represented by a double character  
3 field and in that the control means in response to ascertaining that  
4 there is an odd number of characters in the message adds a character  
5 to a predetermined single character to provide a double character  
6 field representative of a note.

1 10. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 8, characterised in  
2 that a note is represented by a double character field and in that  
3 in response to ascertaining that there is an odd number of  
4 characters, a predetermined character is added to a predetermined